



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of:

WITHERS ET AL.

Appln. Serial No.:

10/828,641

Filed:

April 21, 2004

For:

THERMAL AND ELECTROCHEMICAL PROCESS FOR \dots

Docket:

MER 03.01

Confirmation No. 5332

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the following amendments be made prior to examination of the subject application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this Amendment.

HAYES SOLOWAY P.C. 3450 E. SUNRISE DRIVE, SUITE 140 TUCSON, AZ 85718 TEL. 520.882.7623 FAX. 520.882.7643

175 CANAL STREET MANCHESTER, NH 03101 TEL. 603.668.1400 FAX. 603.668.8567